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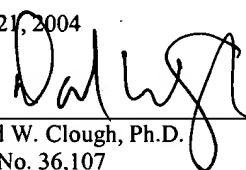
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PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Filed: March 31, 2000
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF FEBRUARY 26, 2004

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Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office action mailed February 26, 2004 in connection with the above-identified patent application and is accompanied by a petition for one month extension of time. Applicants respectfully traverse the rejections and request reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.


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Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following:

1. (X) Response to Office Action of February 26, 2004.
2. (X) Petition for Extension of Time within the first month with fee of \$55 (small entity).
3. (X) Terminal Disclaimer with fee of \$55 charged to Deposit Account No. 08-3038 (small entity).
4. Fee for Claims
(X) No additional fee is required.

The fee for additional claims in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.16(b)-(d) has been calculated as shown below:

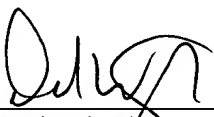
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	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid for		Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee	Rate	Additional Fee
Total	58	Minus	92	-	x 9	-	x 18	-
Indep.	24	Minus	59	-	X 43	-	x 86	-
Fee for Multiple Dependent Claims					+145	-	+290	-
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEES						-	OR	-

- () Enclosed is our firm check in the amount of: \$
- (x) Charge \$ 110.00 to Deposit Account No. 08-3038 (fees for extension of time and Terminal Disclaimer).
7. (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17 during its entire pendency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 08-3038. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 08-3038. This sheet is filed in duplicate.

Respectfully Submitted,

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June 21, 2004
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